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HOUSE RESOLUTION 258 By Caldwell

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. Patrick Nathaniel Edwards on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young people with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout and Patrick Nathaniel Edwards, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor on March 26, 2002 during ceremonies at the Valley Presbyterian Church in Paradise Valley, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the son of Drs. Stephen and Anna Edwards of Scottsdale, formerly of Oak Ridge, Patrick was born September 6, 1983, and began his distinguished scouting career with Cub Scout Troop #220 as an Oak Ridge elementary school student; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 441 of Paradise Valley includes thirty-four Merit Badges and distinguished service as a leader among his scouting peers, as evidenced by his adroit service as a Patrol Leader and Instructor; and

WHEREAS, Patrick's Eagle project was to reconstruct the Bronco Trail Head in the Tonto National Forest, which greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards has distinguished himself in the classroom with equal aplomb by virtue of his status as a National Merit Scholar, as a member of the National Honor Society, as a recipient of five medals in Science Olympiads, and by his acceptance into the Honors Program in Chemical Engineering at the University of Arizona in Tucson; and

WHEREAS, Patrick's sterling accomplishments aside, he is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his parents, his sister Anna Jessica, a junior in the School of Commerce at the University of Virginia; his grandparents, our own Eloise Edwards of the Office of Legal Services and the late Dr. Patrick H. Edwards; along with the other members of his family; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to proudly recognize this gifted young man for his noteworthy achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor Mr. Patrick Nathaniel Edwards on becoming an Eagle Scout, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copies.

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